COVID-19 UPDATES & INFORMATION



Special Notice to Dublin BusinessesMay 20, 2020

Dublin Small Business Emergency Microloan Program

To help mitigate the negative impact of COVID-19 on Dublin small businesses, the Dublin City Council established a Small Business Emergency Microloan Program with a focus on retaining local restaurants and retailers in Dublin.

A tutorial about how to apply for the microloan program and a sample of the application questions are now available on the microloan webpage at www.dublin.ca.gov/microloan.



The online application portal will not be open until next **Tuesday, May 26, 2020** at 8 a.m. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis. The online application portal will close on June 30, 2020 or when funding has been exhausted, whichever occurs first.

Eligible small businesses will be able to apply for a zero-interest, unsecured, short-term loan in the amount of \$5,000, \$7,000 or \$10,000 based on their need. The loan could be 100% forgiven based on longevity of the business operating in Dublin or through sales tax generation.

Questions about the Program should be emailed to economic.development@dublin.ca.gov.

How to Safely Resume Water Use

As COVID-19 restrictions begin to be lifted and some businesses are allowed to reopen, Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) wants to help you return to work successfully and are dedicated to making sure your employees and customers have safe water.

Dublin San Ramon Services District Water, wastewater, recycled water

Please review their <u>flyer</u> on how to safely flush your water system.

For more information, please visit DSRSD's website.

Verizon Small Business Recovery Fund Grant Round Three Open

The Application period for round three of the Verizon Small Business Recovery Fund through Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) is now open. Applications must be submitted by **Wednesday, May 20th** at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time).

Before applying, please review the grant information and FAQ.

For more information and to apply, visit LISC's website.

City Offering Summer Camps for Children of Essential Workers

The City of Dublin is offering summer camp opportunities for children of essential workers between the ages of 3 and 12, at several locations beginning June 1, 2020. These camps will be open for participants of essential workers who either work or live in the City of Dublin. The Summer Camps will follow recommended COVID-19 protocol and safety measures including limiting campers to small stable groups. Daily activities will include cooperative

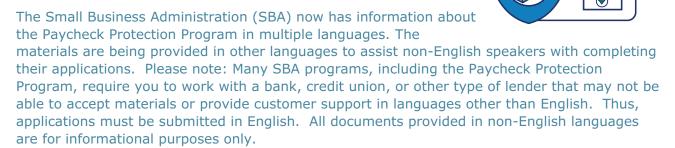


games, arts and crafts, cooking activities and more, incorporated into fun weekly themes.

Registration is now open at <u>www.DublinRecGuide.com</u>.

Additionally, if your Essential Business is currently operating and your workforce is having difficulty finding childcare services, you can refer them to <u>Hively</u>, Alameda County's local childcare resource and referral agency.

Paycheck Protection Program Information Available in Multiple Languages



Visit the SBA's Coronavirus Recovery Information webpage.

IRS Guidances Available

The CARES Act included important new tax provisions for businesses. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recently issued guidance related to Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan usage, Employee Retention Tax Credits, Payroll Tax deferrals, Net Operating Loss treatments, and Business Interest Deductions:

Employee Retention FAQs

The refundable tax credit is 50% of up to \$10,000 in wages per employee paid by an eligible employer whose business has been financially impacted by COVID-19.

Payroll Tax FAQ

Employers and self-employed individuals can defer payment of the employer share of

Social Security taxes incurred to December 31, 2020

Net Operating Loss FAQ

Any business that claimed a loss in tax year 2018, 2019, or 2020, may be able to carry that loss back five years.

Paycheck Protection Guidance

New IRS guidance takes the position that taxpayers may not deduct payroll, mortgage interest, rent or utility expenses that were paid with PPP loan proceeds. The guidance also confirms that forgiven PPP loans will not be included in a taxpayer's gross income.

Workplace Safety Information from OSHA

The <u>OSHA Training Institute Education Center</u> at Chabot-Las Positas Community College District is urging Bay Area employers and workers to take advantage of interim guidance and important resources available from OSHA in response to COVID-19. OSHA's webpage provides extensive workplace safety information about the evolving coronavirus pandemic, including links to interim guidance, hazard recognition and many other resources for preventing exposures to, and infection with, the novel coronavirus. In addition to federal OSHA resources, Cal/OSHA also offers guidance, educational materials and model programs and plans.

Read the interim guidance on OSHA's website.

Also, visit Cal/OSHA's website.

We're Here for You

The City of Dublin appreciates our business community and remains committed to being your source for reliable and accessible information and resources.

In addition to the COVID-19 <u>Business Impacts webpage</u>, we have compiled a COVID-19 <u>Business Resource Guide</u> (PDF updated 5/12/2020). Be sure to also visit the City's <u>COVID-19 webpage</u> with up-to-date information and resources about the pandemic.

The Economic Development Division team is available via <a href="mailto:emailt

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affecting the business community. For more information or assistance, please contact Economic Development via email, economic.development@dublin.ca.gov, or phone: (925) 833-6650.

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